

# Quarterly Calendar Autumn 2006



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#### Special Events

#### **Down on the Farm**

Putting the Animals to Bed Tuesday or Thursday, September 26 or 28, October 3 or 5 7-8pm (3-6 yrs) Kidwell Barn at Kidwell Farm

When evening shadows spread over the Kidwell Farm, it is time to put the animals to bed. Bring your flashlight or lantern for this twilight tour and learn how our farm animals settle down for the night. Pre-paid reservations required. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Cancelled if rain. \$4 per person

Old McDonald's Farm Puppet Show Saturday, September 30, 10-10:40am or 11:30am-12:10pm, Visitor Center

required. \$3 per person

Meet Derwood Duck, Jackson the mule, Benny Bunny and a whole herd of merry marionette puppets under the artful direction of nationally renowned puppet master, Bob Brown. Pre-paid reservations

Puppet Making Workshop Saturday, September 30, 2-4 pm, (8 yrs and up) Visitor Center

Tour the world of puppet theatre with Bob Brown Puppets, one of the nation's leading producers of children's theatre. Learn about the different types of puppets, what kinds of stories they can tell, and how to make them come to life. Create one puppet to take home. This is a great workshop for educators and youth interested in theatre, puppetry or crafts. Pre-paid reservations required. \$20 per person

draft horses, chickens, peacocks, rabbits, sheep, goats, cows and pigs at Kidwell Farm, Frying Pan Farm Park's working farm of the 1930–1960 era. Pet the friendly farm animals, take a wagon ride or watch the farm hands at work. At the Kidwell Farm House, you can sit for a spell on the porch or take a tour to see how farm families lived in the 1930s (call for availability). Kidwell Farm is open daily 9am-5pm. Groups are welcome and school programs are available by appointment. Call for program information.

Wagon Rides Enjoy a cooling breeze this fall. Sit back and relax on a 20-minute wagon ride through the woods and fields of Frying Pan Farm Park. While taking your ride, learn about the plants and animals living at the park. Call 703-437-9101 for exact dates and times. \$3 per person

Trying Pan Country Store as you visit an old-fashioned general store, complete with friendly service, educational books, games and unique items for farm, equestrian and history enthusiasts. Fresh eggs, candy sticks and ice cream are available. The store is located in the restored Vocational Agricultural Shop, next to the playground.

Scarecrow Making Workshop Sunday, October 8 1-2pm or 2-3pm Visitor Center

Adults and children alike will enjoy making their own scarecrow to display this fall. Bring an outfit and a pair of pantyhose for each scarecrow. We supply the special touches for faces. The event is held outdoors under a tent, so dress for the weather. Pre-paid reservations required. \$7 for one scarecrow per family plus \$5 for each additional scarecrow for the family. Cancelled if rain.

Arts Week Kick-off Event Monday, October 9 10:30-11:15am, Visitor Center

Come celebrate Arts Week with a free children's program co-sponsored by the Council for the Arts of Herndon and Frying Pan Farm Park. Puppet show, story teller or songster, the entertainment is always top-notch. After the show, stroll the farm or shop at the Country Store. Space limited, FREE

Jarm Harvest Day Saturday, October 14 10am-3pm, Field behind Visitor

Fall is a busy and fun time on the farm. Milk a goat, shell corn, peel and press apples, and meet the farm animals. Visitors can also paint a small pumpkin, enjoy a corn play box, participate in farm games and see other traditional farm demonstrations. \$3 per person

Cornucopia of Halloween and Harvest Tales Sunday, October 22 1-1:45pm (3 yrs and up) Visitor Center

The seasons are changing and the holidays are

not far off. Get in spirit with story teller extraordinaire Barbara Effron's songs and stories to entertain the whole family. After the show, stroll the farm or shop at the country store. Pre-paid reservations required. \$3 per person



Acoustic Jam 1-4pm, Frying Pan Country Store September 3, 17, October 1, 15, November 5, 19

Whether you're pickin', strummin', or just listenin' – it's an old-fashioned knee-slappin', finger-poppin', toe-tappin' good time! Bring your instrument or come by to enjoy this drop-in session at the country store. The Acoustic Jam brings music to the farm on the first and third Sundays of each month. FREE



Boo at the Farm Monday or Tuesday October 30 or 31, (3-8 yrs) 5:30-6:30pm or 7-8pm, Kidwell Farm



Come in costume. Trick or treat for goodies and meet your farm friends up close. Then settle down for a home brewed Halloween tale in the barn. Bags provided. Pre-paid reservations required. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Cancelled if rain. \$5/child

#### Talespinning on the Farm Monday, November 6 10:30-11:15am, Visitor Center

Join national award winning storyteller, Gary Lloyd as he spins out tractor tales and animal stories. Come ready to add your voices to this fun, lively and interactive show. After the show, stroll the farm or shop at the country store. Pre-paid reservations required. \$3 per person

#### 4–74 Demonstrations Tuesday, November 7, 10am-noon and 2-4pm Kidwell Farm

Observe our 1920's dairy equipment in operation. Enjoy animal demonstrations, churn butter and shell corn. See hams being smoked in our historic smokehouse. Frying Pan Farm Park's own Hoofers and Heifers 4-H Club will share what they have learned. Rain or shine. FREE

Stuff-A-Friend Workshop Sunday, November 12, (3-12 yrs) 10am, 11am or noon Visitor Center

Build a stuffed "farm friend" for yourself or to give as a gift. Choices include cow, sheep, duck, horse and more. Pick an outfit, shoes or accessories to dress up your friend. Each friend comes with a birth certificate and a windowed box. Call site for an order form. Completed order forms must be received by October 25. \$15 per animal or more, depending on clothes and accessories.

#### The Thanksgiving Story Friday,

November 24 11-11:40am, (3 yrs and up) Visitor Center



Bring the whole family and the holiday guests to this fun, lively, and interactive retelling of the Thanksgiving Story. Glee Mania's Sue Counoyer will entertain and inform while engaging all your young holiday celebrators. After the show, work off some of your Thanksgiving feast strolling the park. Pre-paid reservations required. \$3 per person

Children's Holiday Shopping December 2 and 4 Saturday, 12:30-3:30pm Monday, 2-5pm

Frying Pan Country Store. Meet at the Old Floris Schoolhouse

Volunteers help children shop for everybody on their holiday list. The Country Store stocks many unique items in all price ranges. Free wrapping assures surprises for family and friends. Adults are invited to wait at the schoolhouse. Inclement weather dates 12/9 and 12/11

#### Earn a Junior Ranger or **Junior Naturalist** Patch at Frying Pan Farm Park



Scout out history and nature, explore the farm and woods, and learn about livestock, farming and wildlife.

Pick up a Junior Ranger **Booklet or the Naturalist** Exploration Backpack at the Country Store.

Upon completion of the required activities for each patch, you are eligible to purchase the beautiful two-inch patch for \$2 plus tax.



Call 703-437-9101 or 703-435-3710 for information

### New Fall calves due at Kidwell Farm!

(Nature's dates may vary.)

Brittany, a 2 yr. old Hereford Heifer is due with her first calf about Sept. 3. Monica, a 2 yr. old Red Poll Heifer is also due with her first calf about Sept. 6. Linda, a 3 yr. old Guernsey Dairy Cow, is due with her second calf about Oct. 15. Avon, a 3 year old Jersey Dairy Cow is due with her second calf about Nov. 17.

Brittany, Monica and Linda are bred to our Black Angus Bull, Dennis. These will be his first offspring for us on the farm. These calves will be crossbred, and should be mostly black. Avon is bred to a Jersey Bull and will have a purebred calf.



Frying Pan Farm Park

#### Farmers' Market

Farm Fresh Produce Every Wednesday! May - October, 8am - 12:30pm

Culinery herbs Fresh vegetables

Home baked pet treats Sweet breads & pastries

Fresh Fruits Potted herbs & flowers



#### Frying Pan Country Store

Monday-Saturday 10am-4:30pm Sunday 1-4:30pm Family fun for all ages!

The Country Store has old-fashioned fun for families: educational games, books, puzzles, cuddly toy farm animals and model farm tractors. Find a wide selection of local history books, seasonal specialties and home décor items. Browse for unique gifts for farm, equestrian, and history enthusiasts. Old-fashioned candy sticks, drinks, snacks and farm fresh eggs are available. The Country Store is housed in the restored Vocational Agricultural Shop (built in 1920), and displays exhibits on 125 years of Floris community history.

# New Programs Offered at Frying Pan Visitor Center!

#### Ballroom Dancing I, (13-adult) \$58 Art on the Farm, (9-12 yrs) \$85

Starts Sept. 20, 8 classes Wednesdays, 7:00-7:55pm (Singles & Couples) # 282-451-1001 Wednesdays, 8:00-8:55pm (Couples Only) # 282-451-6602

#### Swing Dance I, (13-adult) \$58

Starts Sept. 9, 8 classes (Singles & Couples) Tuesdays, 7:00-7:55pm # 282-451-1701 Tuesdays, 8:00-8:55 # 282-451-1702

#### On Stage, (9-12 yrs) \$85

Starts Sept. 11, 8 classes Mondays, 4:00-5:30pm # 282-452-4003

#### Art on the Farm, (6-8 yrs.) \$85

Starts Sept 11, 8 classes Mondays, 2:00-3:25pm # 282-430-6402

Starts Sept 11, 8 classes Mondays, 4:00-5:25 pm # 282-430-6501

#### Tai-Chi I, (13-adult) \$89

Starts Sept. 11, 12 classes Mondays, 7:00-7:55 # 282-428-2304 Starts Sept. 13, 12 classes Wednesdays, 7:30-8:25 # 282-428-2305

#### Hatha Yoga I, (13-adult) \$89

Starts Sept. 11, 12 classes Mondays, 8:00-8:55pm # 282-429-1603 Starts Sept. 9, 12 classes Saturdays, 8:00-8:55am # 282-429-1604

#### Beginning Quilting, (13-adult) \$142

Starts Sept. 18, 8 classes Mondays, 7:00-9:25pm # 282-432-4102 Starts Sept. 20, 8 classes Wednesdays, 12:00-2:25pm # 282-432-4101

#### Beginning Knitting, (13-adult) \$107

Starts Sept. 19, 10 classes Tuesdays, 7:30-8:55pm # 282-432-3302 Starts Sept. 20, 10 classes Wednesdays, 10:00-11:25am # 282-432-3301

#### Produce a Small Newsletter, (13-adult) \$43

Starts Sept 11, 4 classes Mondays, 7:30-8:55pm # 282-471-3801



If ADA accommodations and/or alternative formats are needed, please call (703) 324-8563, at least 10 working days in advance of the deadline or event. TTY (703) 803-3354

> Registration information is contained in the Parktakes quarterly guide and on line at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/parktakes

# The Visitor Center at Frying Pan Farm Park

Rental Spaces Available for Your Holiday Entertaining



The Fairfax Country Park Authority's newest rental facility blends rural charm with modern amenities to create the perfect setting for everything from corporate meetings to children's parties, all at affordable prices.

#### The Auditorium

This spacious hall has a wonderful ambiance with exposed barn beams, new wood flloors and a 26-foot high ceiling. Amenities include a 12' x 12' retractable projection screen and full sound system with mixing board. At 1,800 square feet, it can host up to 200 people in auditorium style seating or 117 at tables and chairs. Tables and chairs are included in your rental fee.



#### The Classroom

Bright and inviting, the classroom features a beautiful agricultural view and includes a private restroom and entrance for your group. A short walk from the animals and wagon rides at Kidwell Farm, it's an ideal place to have your child's birthday party. At 600 square feet, it can accommodate up to 50 people in auditorium style seating or 41 people at tables and chairs. Tables and chairs are included in your rental fee.

> For availability and prices, contact the park at 703-437-9101 2709 West Ox Road, Herndon, VA 20171

#### Seouts

Programs meet all badge requirements. Pre-paid reservations required for all scout programs. Use the registration form in Parktakes and send directly to Frying Pan Farm Park. Limit 20/session.

Daisy - Using Resources Wisely October 23, 2-3 or 4-5pm, \$4/scout

#### Brownie Try-It – Animals

October 7, 1-2pm or 3-4pm, \$4/scout October 16, 2-3pm or 4-5pm, \$4/scout November 1, 4-5pm, \$4/scout

#### Brownie Try-It - Listening to the Past

October 4, 3:30-5pm, \$5/scout October 25, 3:30-5pm, \$5/scout October 28, 1-2:30pm, \$5/scout November 13, 3:30-5pm, \$5/scout

#### Junior Girl Scout - Plants & Animals

October 2, 3-4:30pm, \$5/scout October 11, 3:30-5pm, \$5/scout November 11, 2-3:30pm, \$5/scout

Junior Girl Scout - Local Lore October 9, 3-5pm, \$6/scout November 6, 3-5pm, \$6/scout

#### Junior Girl Scout - Horse Fan

November 5, 10-11:30am, \$6/scout November 11, 10-11:30am, \$6/scout December 3, 10-11:30am, \$6/scout December 9. 10-11:30am, \$6/scout

#### Junior Girl Scout - Your Outdoor Surroundings

November 4, 1-2:30pm, \$5/scout November 8, 3:30-5pm, \$5/scout

#### Cadette/Senior Scout - All About Birds (IPP)

October 21, 10-12pm. \$8/scout

Tiger Scout -Hike with a Goat Electives Bonanza

October 17, 4-5pm, \$4/scout

#### Tiger Scout - Making My Family Special

October 28, 10-11am, \$4/scout

#### Bear Scout - What Makes America Special Achievement

October 10, 3:30-5pm, \$5/scout November 14, 3:30-5pm, \$5/scout

#### Bear Scout - Farm Animal Elective

October 26, 4-5pm, \$4/scout November 15, 4-5pm, \$4/scout

Wolf Scout - Bird Arrow Point October 21, 1-2:30pm, \$5/scout

#### Wolf Scout - Machine Power Flective

October 18, 4-5pm, \$4/scout

#### Webelos - Forester

October 12, 3:30-5pm, \$5/scout October 24, 4-5:30pm, \$5/scout

#### Boy Scout - Animal Science

September 12, 4-5:30pm, \$6/scout October 10, 4:00-5:30pm, \$6/scout November 14, 4:00-5:30pm, \$6/scout

#### Boy Scout - Mammal Study

September 30, 1:30-3:30pm, \$6/scout November 4, 1:30-3:30pm, \$6/scout

#### Eguestrian Events



## September Spectacular **Quarter Horse Show**

Saturday and Sunday, September 9 and 10, 8am

Western is in! Cheer on the cowboys and cowgirls in the Quarter Horse Show. Spectators FREE

#### Schooling Hunter Horse Show Series

Saturdays, November 11 and December 9, 8am

Walk, trot, canter, beginner horse show. Classes include hunters, ponies, equitation and more. Held indoors rain or shine. Spectators

#### Just Jumper Horse Show Series

Sundays, November 5, December 3 and 17, 9am

Watch local residents compete for a blue ribbon in a variety of jumping classes. Held indoors rain or shine. Spectators FREE

#### Pre-Turkey Circuit **Quarter Horse Show**

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, November 17, 18 and 19, 8am

Western is in! Cheer on the cowboys and cowgirls in the Quarter Horse Show. Spectators FREE

# Watershed Clean-Up Day

#### Saturday, October 21, 9-11:30am

Be part of the stream team! Individuals, students, families, scouts and other community groups can help clear out the earth's arteries by collecting tires, bed springs, bottles, cans and other debris. Give the waterways in your community a clean bill of health and earn the gratitude of your furred, feathered and scaled neighbors. Wear boots, old clothes and bring gloves. Trash bags and appreciation provided. This is a great community project!

#### Help at one of these sites. Call to reserve a section of the watershed.

Frying Pan Farm Park, 703-437-9101 (Frying Pan Branch) Hidden Oaks Nature Center, 703-941-1065 (Roundtree Park -Holmes Run)

Hidden Pond Nature Center, 703-451-9588 (Pohick Creek) Huntley Meadows Park, 703-768-2525 (Little Hunting Creek) Riverbend Visitor Center, 703-759-9018 (Potomac River)

Sully Historic Site, 703-437-1794 (Cain's Branch)
Walney Vistor Center in Ellanor C. Lawrence Park, 703-631-0013,
repeated 1-3pm (Flatlick Branch, Big Rocky Run, Cub Run and Frog Branch)

